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## NO FISH HERE, TOO MUCH WIND.

BRISK NORTHWESTER KEEPS  
VESSELS FROM GETTING  
AFTER THEIR FARES.

The heavy northwester still continues and outside it is blowing hard indeed. No vessels with fish fares have arrived here since last report. None of the shore fleet went out yesterday and this morning they are still at their wharves and will remain there today unless it moderates considerably, which it shows no signs of doing at present.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Monitor, via Portland.  
Sch. Manomet, shore.  
Sch. Edith-Silveira, shore.  
Sch. George H. Lube, shore.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.  
Sch. A. C. Newhall, shore.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.  
Sch. Actor, shore.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.  
Sch. Emily Sears, shore.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Claudia, halibuting.  
Sch. Catherine Burke, halibuting.  
Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Jeanette, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Gladys and Nellie, haddock-ing.

### Today's Fish Market.

Georges handline salt cod, \$5.55 for large and \$5 for medium.  
Georges halibut, 10 1-2c per lb, for white and 7 1-2c for gray.  
Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 7 cts. for gray.  
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.  
Salt haddock, \$2 per cwt.  
Salt hake, \$2 per cwt.  
Salt pollock, \$2 per cwt.  
Splitting prices for fresh fish:  
Codfish, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 80c.  
Cusk, large, \$1.75 per cwt.; medium, \$1.30; snappers, 50c.  
Haddock, \$1.30 per cwt.; hake, \$1.30 per cwt.; dressed pollock, \$1.30 per cwt.; round pollock, \$1.20 per cwt.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Speculator and Conqueror arrived at Liverpool Tuesday last and cleared for the fishing ground.

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### Portland Fish Notes.

About the only trip of fish brought in here Wednesday, excepting by the small boats, was landed by the steamer Carrie and Mildred, which netted 3000 pounds for the F. S. Willard Co. The other netters were also out, but failed to land their fares.

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### Lobsters Still Going Up.

Lobsters are bringing the fabulous price of 75c a pound at Boston, a figure that is calculated to make even the multimillionaire hesitate somewhat before buying.

This is the highest price these luscious crustaceans have brought in years, but the weather has been so cold and windy along the coast, from Massachusetts to Nova Scotia, and the ice has broken up so slowly in the bays where lobsters abound, that the fishermen have not dared to put out their traps because of the danger of losing them, and catches have been exceedingly light.

### First of the Mackerel Fleet Away.

Sch. Clintonia, Capt. Ralph Webber, sailed South this morning on a mackerel seining trip, being the first of the fleet to get away this season. At present indications the early fleet south will be very small when compared with that of former seasons. The skippers and men generally do not seem to be very anxious to get away, but the vessels will be going out gradually from now on to April 20.

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## IMPOSSIBLE TO FORECAST NOW.

### Says P. T. McGrath on Newfoundland's Reciprocity Plan.

In a lengthy letter to the Halifax Chronicle, P. T. McGrath of St. John's, N. F., writes most interestingly along his usual lines of contention that Newfoundland is "mistress of the northern seas" as far as the bait situation is concerned. A part of the letter referring to the probable attitude of the Newfoundland legislature on the reciprocity matter will be read here with more than usual interest at this time, especially as it is recognized that on matters pertaining to policies of the present party in power Mr. McGrath is conceded to speak by the card.

He says:

"It is impossible, at this juncture, to forecast the Newfoundland government's attitude with regard to reciprocity. Heretofore the colony has always subscribed to the doctrine of 'free bait for free fish.' Both the Bond-Blaine and the Bond-Hay treaties were based on this principle, and it is unlikely that it would be altered if any arrangement for freer fishery intercourse were now proposed between the republic and this colony. Newfoundland is in the fortunate position of having a choice of several courses in regard to this matter. She could effect an independent arrangement altogether; she could reject reciprocity entirely, or she could protest against Canada making an agreement unless she was included.

"In Newfoundland, as in Canada, there are two schools of political thought, one favoring reciprocity and the other opposing it. On the face of things the prospect of securing unrestricted access for our fishery products to the market of nearly a hundred millions of people, which the United States affords, is certainly inviting, and would seem an ample return for throwing open our bait supply to the Americans. But there are many in Newfoundland, notably among these handling and marketing our own fish, who argue that a wiser policy would be to continue the exclusions of the Americans from our waters entirely, and thus retain absolute control of our bait supply and the administration of our fishery laws, for thus the same result would accrue as followed our exclusion of the French—we would gradually obtain a steadily increasing foothold in the American markets for our fishery products, by crippling the American fishermen through denying them bait, just as the crippling of the French was effected by the same agency."

The advocates of this policy claim

that the recent Democratic victory in the American congressional election materially strengthens the force of their arguments, because it will compel a reduction in the United States tariff in order to satisfy the demand throughout that country for some relief against the high cost of living, so that free entry for our fish may possibly be obtained without our having to grant any reciprocal conditions at all. In other words, it looks to these observers as if Newfoundland's wisest course at present with regard to this fishery question would be to hasten slowly, as the exciting complexities in American politics may bring about results which seemed almost beyond the bounds of possibility before the recent American political earthquake.

"A further argument put forward against reciprocity in fishery matters between Newfoundland and America is that it would enable the Yankee fishermen to make our coast their advanced base of operations, to tranship their catches, to sell in our ports the small fish among their cargoes and thereby depress the local market, and to become active and aggressive competitors against the domestic fishing industry in every department, while the Fish Trust would still retain control in America and might be able to render valueless our hopes of securing large markets and better prices in the Republic.

"On the other hand, however, must be placed the fact that with the tariff bars down it should be possible to purvey large stocks of fish to sections of the Republic now only poorly served in this respect, and to prevent the Fish Trust from retaining the mastery in the market. Canada will of course, if she gets her compact through, be active in supplying fish to these sections of the United States now inadequately provided with it. At the same time, though, it is recognized that the American fishing industry is not a growing one, because Americans no longer follow it owing to its hardships and dangers, while the same is true to a lesser, though increasing, extent of the fisheries of the Maritime Provinces. It is thus rendered almost absolutely certain that Newfoundland will be the future mainstay and source of supply for sea-food for all the Eastern Provinces of the Dominion and Eastern States of the Republic so that not a little will hinge on Newfoundland's possible action with regard to the future of the North Atlantic Fisheries."

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### Pacific Halibut Notes.

Most of the steamers of the Pacific halibut fleet have been given a thorough overhauling during the past season and the New England Fish Co. spent over \$100,000 in remodeling and rebuilding the steamers operated by it and its Canadian company, the Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd.

The severe winter that has prevailed during the past few months has been unusually disastrous to the halibut boats, the steamers suffering particularly. The Chicago and Zepora recently went aground and suffered considerable damage, and the New England also met with a recent accident. While none of these were serious, they proved expensive for their owners. A number of boats also suffered damages in the storms of last spring.

### Now Has a Training Steamer.

The Victoria Colonist says that the Seattle steamer Petrel has been purchased by the newly formed Pacific Northwest Fisheries Company established by Capt. John Irving, F. E. Mitchell, G. A. Kirkham, C. D. Sword and others to engage in the business in British Columbia waters on a large scale. The Petrel will be the initial steamer of a fleet to be used by the Pacific Company, which is now constructing two depots, one at Quatsino Sound, the other at Wright Sound, Princess Royal Island. The company will engage in fisheries of all kinds; salmon will be salted, dried and smoked, halibut will be taken off the West Coast banks, cod, herring and other fisheries developed.

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### New Steam Pacific Whalers.

Three new steam whalers for the Canadian Northern Fisheries Company reached Victoria, B. C., the other day from Norway. They are named the White, the Black and the Green. The others, the Blue and the Brown, are on the way. The steamers show some improvements over the former whalers, but the general design is the same. They have more space on the deck, the galley and mess-room being under the bridge, and the deck houses do not extend across from rail to rail, but leave passageways. Each is 46 feet long, 18 feet beam and 9 feet deep, with tonnage of 37.

### The Great Lofoten Fishing.

The Norsk Fiskeritidende gives an account of the great Lofoten cod fishery last spring, from which it appears that the number of fishermen engaged was 19,113, as against 20,346 in 1909, while 13,900,000 cod were caught as compared with 16,800,000, the average per fisherman being 727 fish as against 825. About 80 per cent. of the cod were taken with handlines, and practically all the rest with gillnets.

### Eating Lobster Shells.

A new concern at St. John's, N. F., has a novel process for utilizing as food every part of the boiled lobster, which is now thrown away, the refuse of the factories, or used only as fertilizer. In this manufacture the bodies are made to yield some meat and the softer portions of the shell are pulverized for the sauce.

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## BIG FARE IN YESTERDAY.

SCH. BENJAMIN A. SMITH ARRIVED WITH 70,000 POUNDS FRESH FISH.

Yesterday afternoon sch. Benjamin A. Smith, the big knockabout auxiliary craft, arrived here from Brown's bank with a good fare, 70,000 pounds of fresh fish, the trip selling to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company.

During the night no other crafts arrived here with fish, but early this morning about all of the market fleet went out and several of the large offshore crafts also sailed. The wind has gone down considerable and it looks as though the market boats might get a fish day today.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith, Brown's Bank, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, via Boston.  
Sch. Motor, shore.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Clintonia, south mackerel seining.  
Sch. Mary E. Curtis, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, haddock-ing.  
Sch. A. C. Newhall, haddock-ing.  
Sch. George H. Lube, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Nokomis, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Gladys and Nellie, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Belhina P. Domingoes, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Rob Roy, haddock-ing.  
Sch. Ramona, Georges, handling.  
Sch. Waldo L. Stream, halibuting.  
Also the whole pollock seining fleet.

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### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Georgie Campbell was at Shelburne, N. S. Wednesday and cleared for the fishing ground.

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### Where Great Pearl Fisheries Are.

Margarita Island, on the north coast of and belonging to Venezuela, is one of the most important fields of the world's pearl fishing. The island has a population of 6000 persons, many of whom devote their whole time to pearl fishing. In the pearl fishing about 400 boats and 1600 persons are now engaged, although at other times as high as 1500 boats have been employed, giving work to over 5000 men, besides the women employed in opening and selecting the pearls. It is reported that the export of white and cream pearls amounts now to about 400,000 franc (\$77,200) per month principally to Europe, although some are exported to the United States. A large quantity of mother-of-pearl is also shipped to France and Germany to be used in making pearl buttons. The local fishing industry is considerable, the fish being principally dried and sold for consumption on the mainland.



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## GLOUCESTER'S FUTURE GREAT RIVAL.

### Portland Paper Sees Big Fish Boom For That Port.

The Portland Argus says:

"Indications multiply that in the near future Portland is to become one of the largest factors in the fishing business in this country," and also, "Taken altogether Portland is looking up as regards the fishing business and Gloucester will have to look to her laurels. Portland fish dealers have no fear of ill following the ratification of the Canadian reciprocity treaty, believing on the contrary that good will result from it."

In connection with these statements and what is probably considered a basis for the same, the Argus also says:

"Hon. Charles N. Trefethen Thursday received a dispatch from Sir Edward Morris, the premier of Newfoundland, stating that the contract recently made with Mr. Trefethen and the Lord Brothers of this city in relation to the establishment of a big fishing business on the Newfoundland coast has been finally passed by both branches of the provincial legislature. The contract was signed two months ago by the premier and the Portland parties above mentioned, subject to ratification by the legislature, and the matter is now settled."

"The consent of the legislature was only secured after a bitter struggle, many of the merchants and others interested in the fish business claiming that undue privileges had been granted the Portland parties which had not been given their own people and that the contract was one-sided. One legislator named Harvey occupied two days in a speech against the bill, but it apparently did not have much effect, as the measure was carried by a good majority in both houses."

The carrying out of the proposed new business cannot fail to be of the greatest importance to this city, as Portland will be the principal distributing point for the immense amount of fish that will be handled.

"The formation of the new company that is to carry on the business is progressing rapidly. Messrs. Trefethen and the Lord Brothers will be the Portland managers of the concern, and it is understood that Boston parties will help finance the business in addition to the large amount of Portland capital that will be invested."

"In addition to the immense amount of business that is expected to develop from the enterprise above mentioned the fishing industry at this port is to be further enlarged by improvements which the F. S. Willard Company are planning on Central wharf. This enterprising firm have for years carried on a large and constantly increasing business on the above wharf, the trade having now reached such proportions as to demand increased facilities for its successful prosecution."

"They have accordingly purchased the warehouse numbered 9, 10, 11 and 12 on Central wharf, a three storied wooden building with loft, and will convert it into a cold storage plant, equipped with all the latest machinery for the preservation of fish, and intend to carry on an extensive business in that direction. Still further developments in the expansion of the F. S. Willard Company's plant on Central wharf may shortly be expected, but are not yet ready for publication."

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## PRICES WENT OFF A BIT.

DUE TO LARGE ARRIVALS OF COD BY THE SCH. LILLIAN.

Yesterday, after our report, four of the off-shore fleet bucked their way up the bay and harbor to T wharf. All had good fares and one, the sch. Lillian hauled for 58,000 pounds of cod in a trip of 78,000 pounds. The others also had good lots of cod. Prices went off quite a bit.

This morning there were only three trips at the wharf, both off-shores, of fair size, and one small shore trip. Off-shore haddock brought \$2.25 and \$2.30; shores going at \$5. Cod sold at \$2.75 to \$4 and pollock \$4.

### Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Washakie, 40,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Winnifred, 30,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 6000 haddock, 1500 cod, 200 pollock.

Sch. Mildred Robinson, 30,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Susan and Mary, 40,000 haddock, 35,000 cod.

Sch. Lillian, 20,000 haddock, 58,000 cod.

Off-shore haddock, \$2.25 to \$2.30 per cwt.; shore haddock, \$5; cod, \$2.75 to \$4; pollock, \$4.

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### Sch. Speculator Struck But Cleared.

Sch. Speculator of this port, that called at Liverpool, N. S., a few days ago, to land William O'Neill one of the crew, ill with pneumonia, struck the old breakwater there Wednesday morning owing to the light winds, and strong currents. She was pulled off at high tide by the tug Mersey without damage, and proceeded to the fishing grounds.

### No Rush Among the Seiners.

Capt. Frank H. Hall will begin to fit sch. Ralph L. Hall on Tuesday for south mackerel seining. The captain, however, does not figure on getting away from here before April 5 or thereabouts.

Sch. Arthur James, Capt. Archibald Devine, will sail south mackerel seining tomorrow.

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### Portland Fish Notes.

Arrivals among the local fishing fleet Thursday were schs. Eva and Mildred, 6000; Albert W. Black, 5000 and Richard Nunan, 10,000 all for the F. S. Willard Company.

Perhaps the largest haddock landed at this port in a long time was one brought in by the fishing steamer Carrie and Mildred Wednesday. It weighed a strong 15 pounds. The largest haddock previous to this one of which there is any record, was taken some years ago. It weighed 16 pounds.

Thursday morning the schooner Topsail Girl was taking on dories and gear at Union wharf preparatory to a halibut trip to La Havre bank whither she will shortly go. The schooner came off the railway drydock Wednesday and is now quite the finest looking commercial two-master in the harbor.

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### Sch. Genesta Loses Trawls.

Sch. Genesta, Capt. Blatchford, arrived at T wharf Saturday morning, minus her trawls. She "planted" her whole string. Capt. Blatchford, who is out in the craft in transient command, reports that the mishap occurred Thursday, when they made a set on Cashes. It came on very rough and blowy and there was not chance to get in the gear, so the wind and tide did its work completely and not a vestige of the whole outfit was to be seen. The money loss is about \$500 besides the time it will make to rig up a new string.

### Will Be Launched in April.

The new schooner for Capt. Fred Thompson and Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney is expected to be launched about the last of April. She is all planked and celled and the men are now working putting in the deck. When she is launched, Capt. Thompson will fit her for Georges halibuting and it would not be at all surprising if Capt. Spinney made a few trips in sch. John Hays Hammond.

### Going South for Mackerel Interests.

Capt. Charles H. Harty of this city left yesterday for Fortress Monroe, Virginia, where he will locate during the early spring mackerel season, in the interest of Wilson & Barry of Fulton Market, New York. He will come to New York later, when the fleet begins to market its catches there. He will make a short stop at New York on the way out.

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## TWENTY TRIPS IN AT BOSTON.

BUT THERE WAS NONE TOO MUCH FISH TO SUPPLY THE MONDAY DEMAND.

There were 20 trips of fish at T wharf this morning at the opening and none too much fish for the dealers, in fact not enough for the usual Monday demand. There were no large trips in the lot, although three off-shores were there, including two of the steam trawlers. The latter haven't been striking fish very plenty lately and small fares has been their portion.

The early trips sold at \$3 to \$3.25 for off-shore haddock and \$4.50 and \$4.60 for shores. Shore cod were sold at \$4.60 and \$5, hake brought \$5.50 and pollock, \$4.

Some of the market boats had fine catches, schs. Gladys and Nellie with 26,000 hake and cusk, leading the bunch. Schs. Mary E. Cooney, James and Esther, Nokomis, Flora J. Sears, Tecumseh and Rita A. Viator also had cod and haddock catches which will net stocks far above the average.

About 8 o'clock sch. Alice M. Guthrie came in with a rouser, 50,000 pounds of haddock and 40,000 pounds of cod and if prices hold up, which they probably won't, the Guthrie stands to make one of the biggest trips of the winter.

### Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 50,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.

Sch. James and Esther, 24,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Nokomis, 16,000 cod.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 500 cod.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 500 cod.

Sch. Rose Standish, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 4500 hake, 1500 cusk.

Sch. Valentinn, 2000 haddock, 1500 cod.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 7000 haddock, 6000 cod.

Sch. Ripple, 24,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Foam, 23,000 haddock, 6500 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Regina, 40,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 7000 hake, 8000 cusk.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 11,000 haddock, 1800 cod.

Sch. Tecumseh, 15,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 21,000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 15,000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Mettacommet, 700 haddock, 3400 cod.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 5800 haddock, 300 cod.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 2000 haddock, 1700 cod.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 14,000 haddock, 1200 cod.

Sch. Gladys Lee, 300 haddock 300 cod.

Off-shore haddock, \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt.; shore haddock, \$4.50 to \$4.60; shore cod, \$4.60 to \$5; hake, \$5.50; cusk, \$2.75; pollock, \$4.

Fare of sch. Alice M. Guthrie unpaid when these prices prevailed.

### New Steam Trawler Over This Week.

The fourth of Boston's fleet of steam otter trawlers, the Crest, will be launched from the Fore River works, at Quincy, the latter part of this week. When she is in commission the fleet will comprise the Spray, Foam, Ripple and Crest—it is said that more are yet to come.

Barbara Cole, the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison I. Cole of 541 Main street, South Weymouth, will break the bottle of champagne over the bows of the steam trawler Crest at the launching.

She is in a measure going to share the honors with her little brother, Donald Cole, as he will stand with her when she names the boat.

The Crest, a sister ship to the Ripple and Foam, is built of steel for the Bay State Fish Company and is about 165 feet long. Harrison I. Cole, the local agent of the company, with offices at 1 T wharf, has been much interested in this type of fishing vessels and has been active in making many improvements on them.

### Saw An Overturned Dory.

Capt. Michael Green of steam trawler Ripple at T wharf this morning, reports on Georges bank a few days ago, he sighted an overturned dory with a big hole in one side. There was no name on her, but "No. 1" could be made out.

### Haddock Prices Are Off.

The off-shore haddockers, from now out, are not looking for very fancy prices for their fares. Capt. Joshua W. Stanley of sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, has made arrangements to land his next trip at Port Clyde, Me., to the Burnham & Morrell canning people. He will get \$1.75 for his haddock and 15 cents over splitting prices for his cod.

### Drifters Will Start in Soon.

Sch. Good Luck has hauled over to Walen's wharf and Capt. James Goodwin is expected soon to fit her for Rips codfishing.

Sch. Mina Swin will engage in the Rips codfishery again this season under command of Capt. William Goodwin who made such a fine record in her last year.

### Had Difficulty Getting Crews.

Schs. Joseph P. Johnson and Phillip P. Manta, which have been held back at Provincetown because of difficulty in getting crews, are being fitted out and will probably be in the fishing fleet next week. They are the last of the Provincetown vessels to get ready this year, and are two months later than in former years.

### Lunenburg Bankers off on Trips.

The following Lunenburg, N. S., salt bankers sailed from their home port Thursday:

Schs. Nicola, Acadia, Defender, Muriel M. Young, Muriel B. Walters, Douglas Adams, Gladys B. Smith, Assurance and Lloyd George.

### Ready for Sea Once More.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, which was used so roughly during the recent big gale on Georges, is all ready for sea again, having repaired at this port. She has a new rudder post and rudder port and has been recaulked all over.

### Herring Plenty at Port au Basques.

Herring tre very plenty at Port au Basques. Boats got from 15 to 20 barrels per day there recently. The residents are using squid bait. The ice has all moved off, which is a great help to operations.

### Wireless for Pacific Whales.

Three of the whaling steamers, Tye, Jr., Fearless and Resolute of the Tye Company of Seattle, are being equipped with wireless telegraphy and are the first whalers to adopt this modern aid to safer navigation.

### Salt Mackerel Imports.

Imports of salt mackerel at Boston to date, of the catch of 1910, are 33,666 barrels against 32,392 barrels to date in 1910 of the catch of 1909 and 42,419 barrels to date in 1909 of the catch of 1908.

### Home Market Handy and Profitable.

Provincetown vessels have not been coming to T wharf as regularly this year as in the past. The captains find it is as easy to run into the home port, and ship their fish up there, thereby saving a lot of time.

### Way Behind Last Year.

For the week ending Friday there were landed at Boston 72 fares, aggregating 1,594,500 pounds of fresh fish against 148 arrivals with 3,367,000 pounds of fresh fish for the corresponding week last year.

### Whaler Loses First Officer.

Letters were received at Provincetown the past week reporting the loss at sea of First Officer Cruz, of the whaler John R. Manta of that port. After harpooning the whale, Mr. Cruz was pulled from the boat into the sea and disappeared.

### In Temporary Command.

In the absence of their regular skippers who are on a trip to the Pacific, Capt. William Kendrick will take out sch. Elva L. Spurling, Capt. John Spinney, the Athena, and Capt. Douglas Malone, the Victor and Ethan.

### Look For Her at New York Again Soon

The steam trawler Coquet, recently at Fulton Market, with a fresh fish fare, was at Yarmouth, N. S., Thursday, direct from New York and cleared on the same day.

### Discharging in Outer Harbor.

The salt steamer Dundas is discharging her salt cargo while lying in the outer harbor. She will come up to the wharf later, to take out part of her cargo.